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PROPOSED AQUA-SPA TURNED DOWN

Greenbelt voters turned down the proposal for a Greenbelt Aqua-Spa by a 3-2 ratio in Tuesday's referendum. The vote was 747 to 484 as 40 percent of the city's 3,085 registered voters went to the polls.

The vote by precinct was as follows:

	Yes	No
Center School	181	321
North End School	228	338
Springhill Lake	75	88
Total	484	747

The referendum voted on would have authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds up to \$650,000 to fund the construction of the indoor swimming pool. It had been estimated that the debt service on these bonds would have increased the city tax rate by 8-9 cents per assessed valuation, if no surplus income were generated by the pool.

Supporters of the Aqua Spa could not help being disappointed at the results after the many hours of hard work they had devoted to the project. For more than two years, the supporters have prepared reports and charts examining the feasibility of the project and its costs. A year and a half ago the city appointed a committee to look into the project and early this year the city council authorized a referendum on the subject.

FILM SERIES AT LIBRARY

"Fall Film Festival," a series of six feature length film programs, will be shown at the Greenbelt Branch Library of PGCML on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

Starting Oct. 5, the first feature will be **Johnny Cash** which includes guest appearances by Bob Dylan, June Carter, Mother Maybelle and the Carter Family, Carl Perkins and the Tennessee Three.

On Oct. 12, **Two Tars** with Laurel and Hardy on shore leave; W. C. Fields in **The Fatal Glass of Beer** and Charlie Chaplin in **The Rink** provide humor at its best.

The Lord of the Flies, a modern allegory, is open for your interpretation on Oct. 19.

Shakespeare's **Henry V**, will be shown on Oct. 26, with Laurence Olivier at the Battle of Agincourt where French knights are defeated by English bowmen.

Admission is free. There is no charge for any PGCML program. Call 345-5800 for more information.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Citizens wishing to register for the Nov. 7 general elections may do so at S. Klein in the Beltway Plaza tonight until 9 p. m., Friday, Oct. 6 from 5 to 9 p. m. and on Sat., Oct. 7 from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m.

Anti-Drug Program

The Prince Georges Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Turn In A Pusher program to help combat the drug abuse problem that exists in the county.

By calling a special number, persons may turn in a pusher and need not identify themselves. Instead, a code number will be assigned to the caller and information given will be identified by that code number. Cash rewards up to \$500.00 will be paid for information leading to the arrest and conviction of drug peddlers. The reward money will be made in accordance with the instructions of the caller.

The T.I.P. (Turn In a Pusher) number is 345-3939 and is operative evenings only from 6-10 pm.

Court Rejects SOCC Challenge on Greenbriar

Circuit Court Judge William B. Bowie upheld last week the action of the county council in approving a special exception for the Greenbriar apartment project, to be located on the Smith-Ewing tract east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. This action had been challenged by the Greenbelt Save Our Community Committee (SOCC).

The special exception, approved by the county council, sitting as the district council on November 17, 1971 would permit the construction of 2- and 3-bedroom apartments in excess of the number allowed by the R-30 zoning ordinance. Under the bedroom ordinance that would have governed the project in the absence of the special exception, the distribution of bedrooms would have been as follows: 50% 1-bedroom units, 40% 2-bedroom units, and 10% 3-bedroom units. Under the special exception, the distribution becomes 31-48-21. The effect is to permit the Greenbriar project to add 347 bedrooms (not counting family rooms and dens) for an increase of 18% over that permitted by the R-30 zoning ordinance.

In passing the special exception, the district council attached several conditions, such as occupancy limitations, rental minimums, and conformity to mortgage plans and site plans to assure a "luxury type" apartment.

Plea Rejected

Judge Bowie rejected the plea of SOCC that the district council had acted in violation of constitutional provisions by finding that the issues involved — mainly traffic and sewer—were "fairly debatable." The judge stated that the council's decision that traffic and sewer ramifications created by granting the exception would not substantially, if at all, worsen the situation which would exist if the land were to be developed in accordance with conventional R-30 zoning, was neither arbitrary nor capricious.

Since the hearings held before the council in July and August 1971, the judge continued, presented an issue which was "fairly debatable" "this court cannot substitute its view for that of council."

The court also rejected the arguments made by SOCC that part of the Greenbriar project dealing with a tract set aside for roadway purposes had been improperly zoned, and that the exception was illegal in that final action was not taken within the 90-day period.

The court did not deal directly with SOCC's charge that the district council made no effort to determine whether adequate or safe sewage facilities would be available. The court contented itself with saying that in view of the number of expert witnesses and the volume of their testimony the evidence was indeed, "competent, material, and substantial."

PRAB SEEKS MEMBERS

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board has appointed a committee to evaluate and prepare a report on the Recreation Department program in Greenbelt. Committee chairman Sandra Bracken would like to have on the committee people from the community who represent a wide variety of recreational interests. For additional information, or if you would like to serve on the committee, call Mrs. Bracken at 474-7189.

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1972
8 p.m.

I. ORGANIZATION

- 1 Call to Order
- 2 Roll Call
- 3 Meditation
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4 Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 11, 1972
Minutes of Special Meeting of September 25, 1972
- 5 Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II. COMMUNICATIONS

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- 7 Petitions and Requests:
 - a Letter from Prince George's Community College - Extension Campus in Agricultural Research Center
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 - c Letter Re: Court Parent Program
- 8 Administrative Reports
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 - a APB Report #119 - Fair Share Housing - Proposed Montgomery County Bill
 - b PRAB Report 10-72 - Task Force '72/2000 Pool System Analysis - Prince George's County
 - c PRAB Report 11-72 - Comfort Stations and Lighting of Tennis Courts

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- 15 Carnival Type Games of Chance
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- 18 Lighting of Tennis Courts
- 19 History of Greenbelt

V. MISCELLANEOUS

Festival Appreciation Party

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Steering Committee cordially invites those who worked in any way in the 1972 Labor Day Festival to an Appreciation Party on Friday, October 6. The party will be held at the American Legion, Post No. 136, Greenbelt Road, starting at 8 p. m. Music will be by Skip Hunter and His Music Men.

WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., Oct. 5, 7 p. m., 8 p. m., "The Child Molester" - film at the Municipal Bldg.
Fri., Oct. 6, 5 - 9 p. m. Voter Registration, S. Klein, Beltway Plaza
Sat., Oct. 7, 10 a. m. - 9 p. m. Voter Registration, S. Klein, Beltway Plaza
Sun., Oct. 8, 11 a. m. - 4 p. m. Open House, Fire Dept.
Tues., Oct. 10, 8 p. m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Bldg.
Wed., Oct. 11, 7:30 p. m. "Sound off" on Equal Rights, Meeting room, Greenbelt Library
Thurs., Oct. 12, 8 p. m. League of Women Voters, Center School Music Room

INTERPRETIVE REPORT

The Education of Mr. Brooks: Not a Night for Faint Hearts

by Al Skolnik

Although not officially recognized as such, the education of newly-elected director Howard Brooks was a pervasive item on the agenda at last Thursday's Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board meeting. The walls of the staid GHI meeting room are still reverberating from the volley of exchanges.

What upset Brooks was director Tom White's allusion that Brooks' "ignorance" on GHI matters was becoming a "problem." This had followed a lengthy statement by Brooks in which he had asked many questions about the GHI employee pension plan.

The board had before it a proposal for increasing the GHI contribution because actuarial evaluations by the insurer, Bankers Life Company, had shown that the plan was underfunded, partly because of inflation and partly because of turnover experience.

GHI president James Smith had earlier explained that the inflationary factor was operative because pension payments are based on salary at time of retirement, while the contributions are based on an employee's salary throughout the period of employment and thus fall short during an inflationary period. He had also explained that turnover — deaths and terminations (which reduce old-age pension costs) — was not as great as expected.

The proposal before the board had been prepared by the Finance Committee, chaired by White, and consisted of stretching the amortization period for payment of past service liability (cost for employees who were employed before the pension plan began in 1963) from 20 years to 30 years and increasing the dollar amounts paid by GHI to make up the funding deficiency, so, in White's words, "the corporation will be carrying out its responsibilities." A previous memorandum sent to the board had explained this situation.

Brooks Objects

Notwithstanding the explanation, Brooks said that he could not understand why GHI had to contribute more money. In a voice becoming more strident, he wondered what had happened to the money already contributed to Bankers Life. He thought that the corporation should not accept the insurer's statements at face value and suggested further investigation by the board. (The matter had been under consideration since April.)

Brooks also complained that he had not sufficient information to make a judgment on the matter, stating that "even as a lawyer, I can't understand the memorandum sent out." Gordon Allen, Audit Committee member, told the board later that he tended to agree with much of Brooks' criticism.

At this juncture, White got Brooks' back up by referring to the latter's practice of attacking out of ignorance and suggested that the "problem of Mr. Brooks' education" might be solved if Brooks took on the responsibility as a new member to become informed as quickly as possible. Director Nat Shinderman also deplored the amount of time that has to be spent at each board meeting to "educate" Brooks.

The discussion quickly deteriorated into a word-throwing contest between White and Brooks, which the News Review as a family newspaper will not repeat. Chairman Smith eventually restored order and the board proceeded to adopt the proposal 5-2 (Brooks was joined by Tony Lynch), but only after Shinderman once again explained that the corporation has a responsibility to maintain its commitments and that pension plans all over the country these days are forced to re-evaluate their funding schedules because of inflationary factors.

Financial Statement

In this setting, the next topic for discussion — the six-month financial statement for the first half of 1972 — could hardly expect to go unscathed. This time GHI controller Don McGinn was the target

of Brooks. Earlier Brooks had praised McGinn and manager Roy Breashears for the long afterwork hours put in for the corporation "above and beyond the call of duty," but now Brooks proceeded to gruel McGinn as if he were a prosecuting attorney.

Brooks' main discontent was with the listing of work performed under the capital improvement program as assets for the GHI balance sheet. He thought that many of the items listed, such as replacing curbing and trash closet doors, were more properly maintenance items. He asked McGinn whether he felt his integrity as an accountant was impaired by showing the books in this manner.

McGinn replied no, saying that it was quite acceptable to show capital improvements as assets as long as proper depreciation was taken. He noted that the capital improvements program was being financed through long-term borrowing. He also noted that the auditors had approved the procedure. White added that it was quite proper to treat these items as assets as long as they had a useful life.

Other items that incurred Brooks' questioning concerned the length of time it took to prepare the reports, the amount of GDC (apartment) profits (Brooks did not realize that the statement being submitted was for GHI only, a GDC statement for the first six months having been submitted at an earlier date), and the lack of information available on maintenance operations (McGinn explained that he only kept financial records on maintenance, that operational data would have to be ferreted out from the log and tickets).

When Brooks persisted on talking about maintenance, chairman Smith ruled him out of order as not confining himself to questions about the financial sheets. Brooks objected vehemently to being shut off, stating that his "credentials were as good as anyone else's around the table." Shinderman reminded him that they were not, since the chairman of the board, under parliamentary procedures, had the authority to issue rulings. Brooks was told that the proper approach is to appeal the ruling of the chair if he disagreed and not to engage in harangues. White ended that brou-ha-ha by caustically remarking to Brooks: "you have been educated again."

Other Matters

The rest of the agenda was handled with relatively few outbursts. The board continued its policy of enclosing garages upon request, but only after considering the views of adjoining tenants. In some cases, tenants in open garages had been upset because the erection of side walls in their neighbors' carports restricted their ability to get in and out of cars. The motion also called for funding the garage enclosures out of income from garage rent rather than out of working capital money. Directors Shinderman and Janet James suggested a moratorium on any further enclosures, but were outvoted. Of the 275 garages, about 198 have already been enclosed.

The board learned that despite earlier approval of additional funds to do a full trim painting cycle program, the contractors will not have sufficient weather-permitting time to engage in such a program. Thus, management expects to do what was originally planned at budget time.

The Nominations and Elections Committee passed along to the board its views that if there is to be any membership voting on by-laws changes involving the number of directors to serve and their term of office, it should be done at a special membership meeting prior to the regular one.

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"It Should Have Read . . ."

To the Editor:

After reading the News Review account of the September 14 GHI Board meeting in the September 21 issue of your paper, I can't help wondering how far away from the actual scene the reporter was.

With regard to the incident involving Miss Keene, the News Review reported: "... Then, pausing in front of Brooks, she reached across the table to slap his face..." From where I sat, it should have read like this: "Miss Keene was leaving the meeting, and as she walked past the seated Board members in the front of the room, she leaned over and struck Mr. Brooks in the face, knocking his glasses off. There was a bleeding cut and bruise visible on his nose."

Mr. Breashears (GHI General Manager) and a visitor left the meeting to get ice for Mr. Brooks to contain the swelling on the bridge of his nose.

Mr. Brooks, who appeared quite uncomfortable, asked the President to adjourn the meeting. The President called for a vote on the request and the Board voted 7 to 2 to continue the meeting. Mr. Brooks and Mr. Lynch cast the only dissenting votes. I and many other people present were amazed at the lack of consideration by seven members of the Board, which in the kindest terms could only be described as a blatant display of bad manners.

Mary Welsh

Editor's Note: The injuries described by the writer were not evident to the several News Review reporters attending the meeting.

Bigger Restrooms?

To the Editor:

At a recent meeting of the city council some strong words were heard about the need for more restful restrooms at the Lake Park. Now this whole matter of the park and surrounding area has been with PRAB for some time. The city's original plan, on which PRAB is to report soon to the council, called for restrooms built into a group picnic-pavillion structure. At the council meeting people evidently felt the matter was more urgent: there was talk of temporary structures or cinderblock buildings such as grace many park areas. One would have thought there were people in the park right then waiting to use the new facilities.

Now it's difficult to be ourselves and oppose bigger and better restrooms. But let's try. This whole matter came before a hearing held by PRAB several months ago (one attended by many citizens and a few members of PRAB). There was sentiment from many that the addition of restrooms, additional picnic areas, refreshment stands, parking lots and the like (all in the city's plan) would only add to the congestion of the park. Better not to introduce these conveniences. Then, though the Lake Park is open to all, no one stays too long, it doesn't get overcrowded, and more people can enjoy it. Restrooms, however numerous and comfortable, will not make an overcrowded park enjoyable—but they will make an enjoyable park overcrowded. The park is great now. Sure, it could be better—but that has little to do with the plumbing.

Gabe Huck

Intolerable Noises

To the Editor:

How far will the Greenbelt Police Department go in enforcing the State of Maryland's new noise pollution law? Apparently not very far!

Several complaints have been made to the "law enforcement agency" regarding intolerable noises occurring with monotonous regularity from a handful of Greenbelt's motorcycles and cars.

When one of Greenbelt's policemen was questioned regarding one incredibly noisy motorcycle, the officer stated that he has had several talks with the particular driver and that the driver claims that the muffler is a stock muffler. The officer seemed satisfied with this response. He said that nothing can be done about it.

This situation can no longer be tolerated. If one policeman was to spend one or two afternoons and evenings on Crescent Road in front of the Greenbelt Fire Station, he could give out at least 10 tickets.

Come on, citizens of Greenbelt, let's get some action from our police department. Whenever you hear one of these "Super-noise" machines, call the Greenbelt Police Department (474-5454) and tell them where to go.

name withheld by request

Thanks!

To the Editor:

The Greenbelt City Indoor Swimming Pool Committee expresses its appreciation to the Greenbelt citizens for its interest and turn-out at the October 3 referendum.

The full support of council, the City Manager's Staff, and interested residents were a great help to the committee in completing its work.

Joseph Costa
Leonie Penney
Stephen Polaschik
Muriel Weidenfeld

Thanks!

To the Editor:

I wish to express my appreciation publicly to the two young boys who helped my daughter, Wendy, when she was injured at the Center last Thursday morning.

Because of their thoughtfulness and willingness to help a stranger, Wendy was able to get the assistance she needed.

I am sorry that I did not learn the names of these two young men, but their parents and the town of Greenbelt have every right to be proud of both of them.

Mrs. Jean B. Crabill

Adult Ed. at JCC

The Mishkan Torah Synagogue will present the first in a series of Adult Education programs on Monday, October 9, at 8:30 p.m. Michael Bierman of the Jewish Community Council will speak on "State Support for Non-Public Schools." Everyone is welcome.

Weisel-Costello

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Weisel 21-D Ridge Rd., announce the marriage of their daughter Barbara Irene to Kenneth Melvin Costello, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Costello of Cottage City, Md.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Edward H. Birner on Sunday, September 17 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. A small reception followed at the bride's home. After a honeymoon at the Poconos, Mr. & Mrs. Costello will reside at Gateway Gardens, Bladensburg.

Vacancy Filled

A long-advertised post for a vacancy in the city's Finance Dept. was recently filled with the appointment of Mrs. Cecelia H. Pleasant. Mrs. Pleasant, who began her new job as accountant on Sept. 26, holds a B. A. in accounting and business administration from the University of North Carolina. Previously she has been in private industry, most recently in the Management Grants and Contracts Division of Georgetown University.

Mrs. Pleasant is a resident of District Heights. She has two children.

During the same week that the city staff gained an employee, it also lost another. Bill Edwards, who has been Administrative Aide to the city manager, resigned Sept. 29 to take a part-time post as law clerk in the law office of state senator Ed Conroy, while Edwards continues his studies toward a law degree.

WOMEN OF ST. HUGH'S

The Women of St. Hugh's will commence their spiritual and social year on Wednesday evening, Oct. 11, by attendance at Mass at 8 p.m. and then gathering in Grenoble Hall to listen to the first of a series of lectures planned for the coming months with the theme "Fitness - Spiritual and Physical."

Monsignor Raymond J. Boland, pastor of St. Hugh's and moderator of the group, will be the initial speaker in the series and will talk on "Spiritual Calisthenics for the Liberated Women." All women in the parish and the city are cordially invited to attend with a special welcome to newcomers in the area. Refreshments will be served.

For further information call 474-6970.

Firefighter Jobs Open

Recruitment efforts are presently underway to fill 50 firefighter jobs—many of them new positions—in the Prince Georges County Fire Department. Men between 21 and 30 years of age may apply.

The starting rate is \$8,912 a year and the range goes to annual salary of \$12,002. Pay starts when a recruit enters the department's eight-week training school.

Requirements for firefighters include: a high school diploma or equivalency degree, 5' 6" to 6' 5" in height, 130 to 225 lbs., vision at least 20-40 in one eye or 20-30 in both eyes, color and depth perception, and adequate hearing ability.

Applications may be picked up at the county's personnel department in Upper Marlboro or requested through the County Fire Department Headquarters, 4318 Rhode Island Ave., Brentwood, telephone 277-1422.

PARKDALE CHOIR
COOKIE SALE

Members of Parkdale Senior High School's Concert Choir are selling cookies to raise funds for their planned tour of Canada June 21 - July 5, 1973.

The 70-member choir, under the direction of Mr. Dale K. Nonnemacher, is planning sacred concerts at churches in Niagara Falls, Toronto, Quebec, Ottawa, and Montreal. According to Nonnemacher, \$22,000 is needed to take the group to Canada.

Individuals or organizations interested in helping the choir meet their goal should contact Nonnemacher at Parkdale at 474-4700.

Holy
Cross
Lutheran
Church

6905 Greenbelt Rd.

Worship Services

8:30 and 11:15 A.M.

Sunday School 9:50 A.M.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Phone 345-5171

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(Mowatt Memorial) 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Md. Telephone 474-9410

Rev. Clifton Cunningham, Pastor - Tel. 474-3381

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

(Nursery through Kindergarten at 11:00)

Church School (Kindergarten through adults) 9:30 A.M.

9:45 A.M.	Sunday School	6:00 P.M.	Training Union
11:00 A.M.	Morning Worship	7:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
7:30 P.M. Wednesday		Midweek Service	

GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Crescent & Greenhill Rds. S. Jasper Morris, Jr., Pastor - 474-4040

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Mr. Benjamin Rosenzweig, President of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, and Mr. Joseph D. Comproni, Manager, have called to the attention of the City Council that the day of October 19, 1972 is generally being celebrated throughout the United States, Canada, and the remainder of the free world, as International Credit Union Day, during which members of the Credit Unions are honored, and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that our Greenbelt Community has just reason to be proud of our local Credit Union which has worked for the benefit of our Community for the past 35 years and which is unquestionably a factor in the City's progress, and

WHEREAS, the City Council considers it fitting and proper that public cognizance be taken of this fine group during the 35th Anniversary Year of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Richard R. Pilski, Mayor of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, designate and proclaim the day of October 19, 1972 as

INTERNATIONAL CREDIT UNION DAY IN GREENBELT and express Council's appreciation to the men and women who have worked so diligently in the interest of the Credit Union and the development of our City, and wish them continued success in the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt, to be affixed this 26th day of September, 1972.

RICHARD R. PILSKI, Mayor
City of Greenbelt, Maryland

ATTEST: City Clerk

Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Fire Prevention Week will be observed during the week of October 8 thru 14, 1972, and

WHEREAS, the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, has been receiving the services of one of the finest volunteer fire departments and rescue squads in the country, and

WHEREAS, the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad is manned 24 hours by volunteers who give generously and unselfishly of their time and effort to provide outstanding fire protection, rescue and emergency services to the sick and injured, and

WHEREAS, these volunteers are performing not only those services vital to the safety and wellbeing of our community, but are also teaching fire prevention and safety to the children in our schools and to the citizens of our community to reduce the threat of fires and personal injury, and

WHEREAS, the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad will hold open house during the period October 8 thru 14, 1972 and will provide demonstrations, exhibits, movies and refreshments for the citizens of Greenbelt to further the cause of fire prevention, now therefore,

I, Richard R. Pilski, Mayor of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, by authority vested in me by the citizens and Council of the City of Greenbelt, do hereby proclaim the week of October 8 thru 14, 1972 as

GREENBELT FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

in grateful recognition of the men and women who serve our community and those in need of their humanitarian services, and I urge all citizens of Greenbelt to join in this tribute and to participate in the activities planned by the Greenbelt Fire Department and Rescue Squad during Fire Prevention Week.

ATTEST: City Clerk

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt to be affixed this 3rd day of October, 1972.

RICHARD R. PILSKI, Mayor
City of Greenbelt, Maryland

JOIN YOUR CREDIT UNION

IT'S WHERE YOU BELONG

GREENBELT
FEDERALCREDIT
UNION121 Centerway (Shopping Center)
Greenbelt, Md. 20770 474-5858Get your Free Litterbag
at the Credit UnionEach Member Account Insured to \$20,000 By Administrator
National Credit Union Administration

5%

CURRENT
DIVIDENDState Farm
Insurance
Ron
Borgwardt

474-8400

Auto - Life - Homeowners
10210 Baltimore Blvd.
College Park, Md. 20740
(on U. S. 1 at the Beltway)

Thirty-Five Years Ago

VETERANS ORGANIZE LEGION POST SIGN PETITION FOR CHARTER

In response to a call issued by Comrade Allen Morrison, an organization meeting of Greenbelt Veterans was held Tuesday evening, November 16, 1937. There is no doubt that Greenbelt will have a large and active Legion Post, because more than enough men attended to petition for a charter and a dozen more who are known to be interested were unable to attend because of their working hours.

A communication was read from Comrade "Jim" Fitzgerald, vice-commander of the Legion for the district of Southern Maryland, and it was decided that the Greenbelt organization would affiliate with the American Legion. Comrade Edson G. Worden was elected chairman and secretary pro-tem.

A second meeting, at which vice-commander Fitzgerald was present to explain the necessary details of organizing the Post and petitioning for a charter, and to answer any questions which the members might have, was held Monday evening, November 22, 1937. . . . The Co-operator, Nov. 24, 1937

Editor's Note;

Mr. Morrison informs us that there were only nine people present at the first meeting of the American Legion.

Harold Melsness, now of Minnesota, was the first Commander. Eugene Kellaher of Lakewood is the present Commander. Mr. Morrison never dreamed at that time that the Greenbelt Post would become almost the largest Post in the state.

Did You Know?

Did you know that Greenbelt is 35 years old this month?

Did you also know that there are only five families who lived in the original homes in Greenbelt still living there? They are:

Mr. & Mrs. E. M. Halley, 62-B Ridge Rd. Moved in Oct. 25, 1937.

Mr. & Mrs. Allen D. Morrison, 58-H Crescent Rd. Moved in Oct. 7, 1937.

Mr. & Mrs. W. M. Schoeb, 33-N Ridge Rd. Moved in Nov. 1, 1937.

Mr. & Mrs. Leo M. Slaughter, 39-C Ridge Rd. Moved in Oct. 30, 1937.

Mrs. Chas A. Ritter, 6-P Hillside Rd. Moved in Nov. 30, 1937.

There are 49 families who moved from their original location to new locations in Greenbelt, and are still living here. The opening date of our town of Greenbelt, Maryland, was October 4, 1937. Families moved in from that date to December 31, 1937, (a total of 256 families).

All who moved in prior to October 7 have moved and the Morrisons are now the oldest residents in town. The Morrisons have the honor of being chosen as the first family for residence in President Roosevelt's "New Deal" town of Greenbelt. Major Walker, James T. Gobel and a registered nurse were the committee of the Farm Security Administration who picked the residents for Greenbelt in 1937. The Morrisons say "35 years have gone by very rapidly, and we hope the next 35 years will be as enjoyable as the past 35."

QUEEN PAGEANT BANQUET

On Friday evening, September 29, at the Greenbelt Youth Center, Mrs. Shirley Meredith, Chairman of the Queen Pageant for the Labor Day Festival, and her husband Tom served as host and hostess at a covered dish dinner and party in honor of Miss Martha Plaster, "Miss Greenbelt of 1972," and her court. Serving as co-host and co-hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Burchick and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawson.

After dinner Mrs. Meredith presented gifts to the following: Miss Plaster, Sue Roland, first runner-up and Miss Photogenic; Robin Corbin, second runner-up; Alice Plaster and Barbara Coloe, who were selected by the judges as the five finalists, also Rita Polaschik as "Miss Congeniality," Pam Davis, Fran Hromulak, Joann Izzo, Olga Penney and Shirley Clute.

Mrs. Anna Burchick and Mrs. Barbara Lawson co-chairman and Miss Wendy Lawson, crown bearer, also were given gifts.

Slides taken during the four-day festivities of the pageant by Larry Pack, festival photographer, were shown.

Each of the contestant's parents were invited by Mrs. Meredith, and all expressed their many thanks to her for a successful and enjoyable evening.

Greenbelt Post Office Celebrates 35th Year

The Greenbelt Post Office will be 35 years old on October 1, 1972.

When the Post Office first opened its doors it was rated as a 4th class office. There were only two employees on the payroll, Postmaster George W. Bryant and clerk Ella D. Davis. Since 1937, the Post Office has advanced to 38 employees and 20 carrier routes.

The first Post Office was located in the building which is now occupied by the Greenbelt Carryout and Twin Pines. Since 1959, the Post Office has occupied 111A Centerway and in April, 1967, it expanded to include 111B Centerway also.

On October 1, 1938, the Post Office moved up to a 3rd class status and on July 1, 1942 advanced to 2nd class. Finally in June 1964, it reached 1st class.

From 1937 to June 1942, customers had to walk to the Post Office for their mail. In June, 1942, home delivery began with two deliveries a day.

Postmaster Bryant was followed by George Eshbaugh (Nov. 1946-Feb. 1947), James N. Wolfe (Feb. 1947-May 1949), Thomas Freeman (June 1949-Dec. 1954), George Eshbaugh (Dec. 1954-Oct. 1955), Edward Kaighn (Oct. 1955-May 1963); the present Postmaster is Emory A. Harman.

Some of the early employees of the Post Office were Ella D. Davis, Ruth A. Bryan, wife of the 1st Postmaster (Mrs. Bryant worked over 25 years), John J. Hagerty, Adele Dyer, Mary B. Shudrick, Thomas M. Clark, H. G. Snyder, Leta B. Clark (worked over 20 yrs.), Dorothy F. Anderson, Stanly Provost, Thomas Gordon Poston, Russell Walker, Shirley Friedman, John K. Freeman, Robert G. Egli, and Wallace Nelson (all employed up to approximately 1940).

There have been four assistant postmasters. George Eshbaugh who started in the early 1940's and retired in September 1960, Paul Kaslo a long time clerk at Greenbelt served as Assistant from 1960-1964, Samuel Jacobs 1964-1971, James Tyler Nov. 1971-Feb. 1972 and Thomas Harris, the present Assistant. In the late 60's, when the post office complement reached 48, there was for several years a Superintendent of Mails, James Hanna and Assistant Superintendent of Mails, Vince Dutton.

Several other long time employees started around 1942. First, William Shields started carrying mail in 1942 and did so for over 25 yrs. Bill, as he was called, was known and loved by just about every Greenbelter.

Another employee, Richard Bates worked as a carrier and clerk for over twenty years until he was appointed Postmaster at Branchville in 1963. In addition there was Lawrence Suit who was a mail messenger and custodian on and off for over 25 years. Both were well-known and much appreciated.

Everyone is invited to see the Post Office display on the 1st floor of the Library. Exhibited will be such things as the First Money Order, the 1st carrier badge, 1st cash book and all the others up to the present, Early doors on Lobby Locked Boxes, Photographs, etc.

Poppies - 4-H News

by Carolyn Williamson

Several members of the Poppies 4-H Club entered some things they had made, or grown, in the Prince Georges County Fair. Anita McGaha received champion (purple) and blue ribbons for her chocolate cake, blue ribbon for her chocolate chip cookies and 3 red ribbons for a doll, a pin cushion and pajama bag. Lori Hawes received red ribbons for her tote bag and oatmeal and poster of a table place-setting.

Carolyn Williamson received blue ribbons for her dust cloth in a jar and a needle book and two red ribbons for her tote bag and oatmeal cookies. Peter Williamson received a blue ribbon for his weed identification board and a red ribbon for his green beans. Marianne Coyne received blue ribbons for her needle book, table setting poster, chocolate chip cookies and snickerdoodles, and red ribbons for her chocolate cake and pajama bag.

Swim Team Wins Division, Holds First Annual Banquet

The Greenbelt Swimming Club completed the swimming season by conquering the Prince-Mont Swimming League Division D Trophy. The trophy was presented to Mayor Pilski. Mayor Pilski made a few remarks to the swimmers and parents. His closing observation to the audience was "maybe in 1974 we will have a similar ceremony for winter swimming," a reference no doubt to the indoor pool referendum.

The Greenbelt Swim Team's first annual banquet on Friday, September 22, began with dinner, which was followed with awards to all swimmers. The following special awards were made to boys and girls. Overall High Points: Jim Vanderzon and Sue Smith; Runner-up Overall High Points: Bob Mongelli and Marriette Vanderzon; High Points Ages 15-17: George Jones and Olga Penny; High Points 13-14: Kevin Shaughnessy and Cindy Davis; High Points Ages 11-12: Reggie Smith and Kathy Douglas; High Points Ages 9-10: Chuck Whitehead and Lynn Labukas; High Points Ages 8 and under: Mack Healey and Nicolette Durantine.

Awards were also presented to Ralph Jones for Sportsmanship; Gina Petrillo for Most Improved; Nancy Douglas for Hardest Worker and Jeff Douglas for Most Cooperative. Mike Rousseau received a medal for serving as team runner for the past three years. Betty Jo Labukas received a medal for taking a first place in the Maryland Olympics. Special gifts were presented to Darald Lofgren, Mike Lundregan, Mike "Turtle" Jones, Robbie Dredger and Rick Mest for their special support of the swimming team.

The evening was capped off by films of the several swim meets for the past summer, shown by Tony Durantine.

4-H Sparklers

Once again the Sparklers brought home rafts of ribbons from the County Fair held at Marlboro in August. Two "champion" ribbons were awarded to Teresa Novak for her miniature fabric-store dollhouse and her child's quilt. Sue Levesque won the purple ribbon for her sugar cookies, and Joan McFarland got the champion ribbon in the tree identification category. Mindy Potts garnered several blue ribbons for her art work, as did Karen Coloe for her outstanding sewing categories. Joan, Penny, White did well in both cooking and sewing categories. Joan, Penny, Ruth Baluch and Regina Werner also put in long hours at the fairgrounds helping with the many jobs necessary to keep the fair running smoothly.

This year Sparklers will be working two new projects, International Foods and Quilting, and some members will serve as junior leaders, helping clubs of younger children.

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THE STORY OF FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

On a warm Sunday evening in October 1871, a thoughtless, careless act sparked a fire at a modest city home. It seemed small and easy to control.

But it wasn't. Thirty hours later 2,100 acres of Chicago were a blackened, smoldering waste. More than 200 of its citizens had perished, 100,000 were homeless, almost 17,500 buildings were in ruins.

Direct losses were \$168,000,000, the indirect costs incalculable.

To mark the Chicago conflagration, Fire Prevention Week is observed annually during the

week containing October 9, its anniversary date. Fire Prevention Week was first officially proclaimed in the United States and Canada in 1922.

It strongly reminds us that fires are not unavoidable accidents. They are always the result of some thoughtless act or neglect, and they can exact heavy penalties.

Don't gamble that you can escape the financial headaches or family heartbreaks that fire always brings. Make fire prevention your concern, at home, on the job — every week.

Greenbelters' Incomes Close to County Average

The median income of Greenbelt families was \$12,221 in 1969, according to the 1970 Census of Population. This compares with a Prince Georges County average of \$12,450, and a Montgomery County average of \$16,710. Among other communities in the county, Greenbelt's median income was lower than that of Bowie, Cheverly, College Park, Landover Hills, Berwyn Hts., New Carrollton, and University Park.

The distribution by income of the 5,143 Greenbelt families reported in the Census follows:

1969 Income	No. of Families
Less than \$3,000	175
\$3,000-\$6,999	597
\$7,000-\$9,999	967
\$10,000-\$11,999	754
\$12,000-\$14,999	1,068
\$15,000-\$24,999	1,339
\$25,000 or more	243
	5,143

Nineteen families reported an income of \$50,000 or more.

Unrelated individuals in Greenbelt numbering 1,943 reported a median income of \$6,208. When the unrelated individuals are combined with the families, the median income becomes \$10,581.

Families with female head reported a mean income of \$7,821 and female unrelated individuals reported a mean income of \$6,573.

One hundred ninety-three families or 3.8 percent of the total, reported income below the poverty line in 1969. Their mean income was \$1,786, with 8.3 percent receiving public assistance. The average size of the poverty family was 3.36. Eighty-five of the poverty families had female heads.

Among unrelated individuals, 373 or 19.2 percent were below the poverty line. Their mean income was \$890 and 1.1 percent were receiving public assistance.

Altogether, of the total population of Greenbelt, 5.7 percent or 1,022 persons were considered below the poverty line. Of these, 339 were children under age 18. 42.8 percent of these children were living with both parents. Aged persons 65 and over made up 6.4 percent of the 1,022.

Education Financing Current LWV Topic

The state's role in the financing of education will occupy the attention of the Greenbeltville Unit of the League of Women Voters at their meeting Thursday, October 12. The Unit will meet at 8 p. m. in the Center School Music Room.

Taxes presently used to finance education, as well as alternate types of tax sources, will be discussed, along with consideration of how these funds may be allocated. Members will reach consensus on questions relating to the state's role in financing education.

The League of Women Voters is non-partisan. It seeks to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government. Membership is open to all women citizens who are at least 18 years old.

Information about this meeting or about the League of Women Voters can be obtained from Nancy Mayer, Unit Chairman, at 572-4030.

High School Students To Work In Politics

Prince Georges County high school students will have the opportunity to learn politics first hand this year by participation in political campaigns on a full-time basis.

According to Dr. G. Allen Sager, principal of Parkdale High School, student involvement in political campaigns can be very beneficial to both the student and the candidate. "Experience gained by working for a political candidate or a political organization can be very worthwhile, and the student can probably learn as much as if he were in class."

At Parkdale students interested in campaigning are referred to the guidance office to begin the request for released time. A written request from a political candidate or organization and approval from the student's parent is also required. After the request has been approved by the student's vice-principal, work can begin.

Each student working in a political campaign will be required to maintain a log of his activities which must be turned in following the campaign. In addition, each student is required to make up work missed during his absences from school.

Music Instruments Needed at School

The North End School PTA is starting to build a collection of musical instruments which it will lend to those children who want to participate in the school's music program but would otherwise be unable to do so.

The PTA plans to use a part of the money raised from the sale of books at the recent Labor Day Festival, but they will be unable to purchase as many of these instruments as will be needed. The PTA is asking for donations of suitable instruments which are not currently being used. If you have such an instrument, please take it to the North End School during regular school hours or if you would like the instrument picked up please call Mrs. Filmore Bender at 474-4029.

ASTRONOMY SERIES

The Astronomy Observatory of the University of Maryland, College Park Campus, will hold open house for the public at its Metzgerott Rd. location, on the fifth and twentieth of each month.

The program includes a slide show, lecture and three telescopes for viewing the heavens. The program begins at 8:30 p.m. and community organizations and groups are invited to attend.

Interested groups and individuals should call the Astronomy Department at 454-3001. Reservations are requested from groups numbering more than six persons.

FREE WILD BIRD SEED

Wild birds won't starve during the coming winter months and Prince Georges senior citizens might develop a new hobby if a program by the Division of Services and Programs for the Aged wings its way to success.

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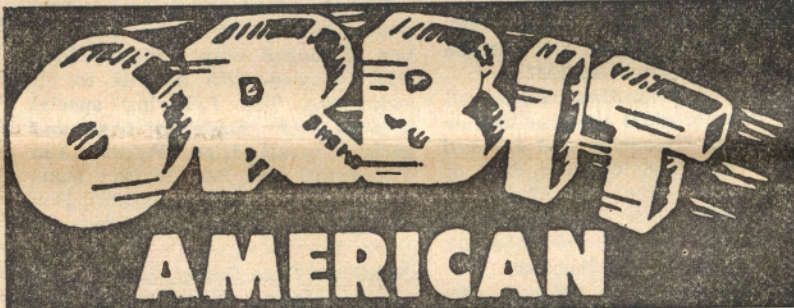
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Greenbelt Safety Citation

Greenbelt won an Achievement Award for Pedestrian Safety in the 33rd annual American Automobile Association Pedestrian Safety Inventory.

Chief William Lane, received the award from Mrs. Pauline Menes, Vice-Chairman, Suburban Maryland AAA Advisory Board and Delegate to the Maryland General Assembly, during a meeting of the county Chamber of Commerce on September 25.

Outstanding or improved safety records, according to Norman R. Weiss, manager of the local AAA, was the basis for their selection.

Md. Authorizes School Operation

The Partridgeberry School, Inc., a small elementary school for children aged 5 to 7, opened September 19 in the Mishkan Torah synagogue, as planned. Operated by parents and education professionals, the school was founded in the summer of 1971 to provide local families with a progressive, cosmopolitan educational alternative.

Inspired in part by the informal learning-by-doing style of education practiced successfully in English public elementary schools, the Partridgeberry School, Inc., employs a range of imported methods to promote academic and social development. The school also borrows heavily from the contemporary American free school movement with the unusual exception that the Partridgeberry School, Inc. has received the Maryland State Department of Education's authorization to operate.

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New Construction In the Offing

Two recent communications to the city signal imminent construction, in the one case, and possible construction, in the second, of new business establishments in Greenbelt. The first is a branch office for the First Federal Savings and Loan Assn. of Annapolis, to be built on Breezewood Drive in the Beltway Plaza. The second is a proposed major remodeling of the Mobil station on Crescent at Centerway.

City officials were first alerted to the fact that actual construction would begin soon on the bank when the contractor who will excavate the site queried the city concerning a possible need for fill dirt. In response, the city agreed to accept fill for the former sanitary landfill on Northway extended. Additional fill for that site has also been received recently from the Metro excavation in the District of Columbia.

Notifications of remodeling plans for Woody's Mobil Station came in the form of a request for aid by a representative of the Mobil Gas Corporation in securing a special exception from the county zoning board. The gas station, which was built when the city occupied federal land, has always operated in conformity with a C-2 zoning permit. In order to remodel and enlarge the present building, however, the corporation must receive a special exception. Planned is a larger building of brick construction, set further back from the street.

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Mrs. Ann Isikoff was recently cited for her service to the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda. An employee-relations assistant in the Civilian Personnel Department, she received a Quality Salary Increase for her superior work performance.

Our deepest sympathy to Tom White, 8 Woodland, who lost his brother.

City Manager James K. Giese returned to work on Oct. 2 after a short visit in Europe, where he joined his parents and his brother for a holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Dean are now residing at 2-A Ridge.

Marine Cpl. John Martone, son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Martone, 15-D Ridge Road, is in the Caribbean undergoing training with Battalion Landing Team 1/8.

Heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lombardi, 14-B Laurel, on the occasion of their 36th wedding anniversary. Baltimore relatives and friends chartered a bus to attend a surprise party given by their son, Leo Jr. in his parents' honor.

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The Effluent Society: Gullett Gulps Glassful

Prince George's County Executive William W. Gullett has made public the results of two separate studies of the operation of the package sewage treatment plant serving the Landover Mall shopping complex — results that indicate the plant is actually cleaning up the stream into which it is emptying its effluent.

At a September 18 press briefing in Upper Marlboro, Gullett released studies made by both the Prince George's County Health Department and the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene over a three month period. The county agency survey checked hydrogen oxygen demand, coliform bacteria and fecal coliform, while the state concerned itself with virus isolation. Scientists made extensive tests of samples from the Cat Tail Branch, the stream into which the effluent from the plant is dumped, from three different locations: upstream from the package plant, at the point of discharge, and downstream from the plant.

"The county study showed that in virtually every instance, Cat Tail Branch is cleaner downstream from the Landover Mall plant than it is upstream," Gullett reported. Scientists from the state's Environmental Health Administration, he said, were unable to isolate any viruses in the stream. To show his confidence in these findings, Gullett drank a glass of effluent (water) from the treatment plant.

The County Executive said he was making the test results public in response to citizen concern over the quality of treatment by the Landover Mall plant. The town of Glenarden, through which the Cat Tail Branch passes, had joined with a citizen in the area a few weeks ago to file suit against the county government, the owners of Landover Mall and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission. The suit, now pending in Circuit Court, charges that the treatment plant is seriously polluting the stream, causing a major health problem to the area and endangering the lives of young children who would happen to play in the stream.

Circuit Court Judge William McCullough, ruling on a number of preliminary motions in connection with the case recently, excused the county government as a party to the suit, leaving the WSSC and the Landover Mall owners as defendants.

Gullett said the test results are fairly reliable proof that well-operated package treatment plants are not necessarily harmful to the environment.

"This doesn't mean I give blanket support to the use of such plants," he told newsmen. "It merely means I am willing to look at their use in a realistic manner."

Jolly Green Girls

The Jolly Green Girls' 4-H Group have had a busy summer including a picnic, a six-day camping trip, a fashion show, participation in the County Fair and in the Labor Day Festival.

The scene of the picnic in June was the Greenbelt National Park in between torrents of rain.

In early July eight Girls went to 4-H camp. They came home singing songs they had learned and looking forward to another memorable trip next summer.

In late July Susan Dambraskas won Junior Champion in the style review at the Community College in Largo. Also modeling what they made were Diane Dill, Terry Hawk and Jeanne Hensel.

In the County Fair at Upper Marlboro in August, Shelly Newman won Junior Champion in the bicycle rodeo. The following girls won ribbons for some of their entries: Terry Hawk, Jeanne Hensel, Shelly Newman, Robin Pray, and Marie Unger.

During the Labor Day Festival at the Homemakers' table in the Center School gym were articles made by Terry Hawk, Jeanne Hensel, Shelly and Tamrah Newman, Betsy and Diana Turkiewicz, Marie Unger and Amy Walder.

The Police Blotter

The Labor Day Festival Committee purchased a crime prevention film for the department entitled "The Child Molester," scheduled for viewing in the Municipal Building on October 5, 7 and 8. The film and a short talk on prevention will be given by Sgt. Van Valkenburgh.

A counterfeit bill was passed in a store at the Beltway Plaza; an investigation was made, and the case then turned over to the U.S. Secret Service.

As a result of a stakeout in the rear parking lot of the center three suspects were charged with possession of narcotics. While the car was parked an officer had observed a pipe that is commonly used in connection with smoking marijuana.

Juveniles entered Greenbelt Jr. High School without force and without setting off the burglar alarm this past weekend. They engaged in numerous acts of vandalism upon gaining entry. This was one of the worst acts of school vandalism seen in the city in recent years.

Another indecent exposure arrest was made this week. In this case the subject, a resident of Springhill Lake, was arrested after exposing himself from his apartment.

Several items were reported stolen during a recent exhibit of war souvenirs at the National Guard Armory. The items were five German knives and German and Russian military hats.

Following a breaking and entering at the High's Store about six months ago, a Greenbelt resident was arrested and subsequently brought to trial and convicted. He was sentenced to five years in the Maryland House of Corrections. Chief Lane remarked that the accused had a long history of offenses as a juvenile and as an adult.

Many members of the Greenbelt Police Force are furthering their education. Attending the Law-Enforcement Institute at the University of Maryland, from September to June, are Officers Fulgham, and Stair, Corporal Brumley, and Sgt. Van Valkenburgh.

Corporal Combes is attending a class in Police Traffic Accident Investigation at the University of Maryland. PFC Janney is attending the Identikit Training class at the P.G. Police Academy. Det. Sgt. Krob is attending a 19-week course sponsored by the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs. Cpl. Miskell, Officer Craze and Office Fulgham will be attending a class on the Police and the Juvenile Offender, November 6-10.

A Springhill Lake resident and an accomplice were charged with breaking and entering into the apartment of another resident who was out of town at the time. Alert neighbors called the police.

Store Is Being Remodeled

A complete modernization program was announced today by Harry Weiner, owner of Ben Franklin store in Greenbelt.

Work was started on September 11 and plans were made many months ago. The floor area of the store will remain the same; however, more merchandise will be exposed to the customers, as a result of the installation of new metal fixtures throughout the store.

"This remodeling will enable us to give Greenbelt families a wider selection of quality merchandise offered in self-service displays for the greatest shopping convenience", Weiner said. Special attention on easy-to-reach counters will make all merchandise easily accessible.

Plans call for a few days closing prior to the Grand Re-opening to be held on Thursday, October 19. "At this time a tremendous sale with bargains galore in all departments will be held", said Weiner.

Greenbelt Occupations Revealed in 1970 Census

Of Greenbelt's 18,188 population, 8,778 persons aged 16 and over were employed as of April 1, 1970, according to the 1970 Census of Population. Sixty percent or 5,250 were men, 3,528 women. The median earnings in 1969 of male workers were \$9,447, female workers \$5,748. 1.9 percent of the civilian labor force in Greenbelt reported themselves as unemployed, compared with 2.4 percent for Prince Georges county as a whole.

The major occupational breakdown of Greenbelt workers follows:

Occupation	No.	%
Men		
	5,280	100.0
Professional, technical	2,360	45.0
Managerial	608	11.6
Clerical and sales	882	16.7
Craftsmen, foremen	799	15.2
Operatives	298	5.7
Laborers, service wkrs	303	5.8

Women		
	3,528	100.0
Professional, technical	1,272	36.1
Managerial	145	4.1
Clerical and sales	1,704	48.3
Craftsmen, foremen	15	.4
Operatives	48	1.4
Laborers, service wkrs	194	5.5

When compared with Prince Georges county, Greenbelt had a larger proportion of professional and managerial workers (50% vs. 32% for the county) and a lower proportion of craftsmen and operatives (13% vs. 20%), laborers and service workers (7% vs. 13%), and clerical and sales personnel (29% vs. 34%).

Government workers comprised 40% of the male workers and 52% of the female workers in Greenbelt. The remaining workers were employed in private industry except for about 1 percent who were self-employed. Among government workers, 87% of the men and 62% of the women worked for the Federal Government.

Recreation Review

Kava Teen Dance

This Saturday October 7 from 7 to 8 p.m., KAVA welcomes the exciting band, "Sassafras Tea", to the Greenbelt Youth Center. All Greenbelt Senior High teens are invited, dress is casual, admission is minimal so bring a friend and enjoy the sounds of "Sassafras Tea".

Tennis Courts Reserved

On Saturday and Sunday, October 7 and 8, and 14 and 15, Braden Field courts 1, 2 and 3 will be reserved for tournament play by the Greenbelt Tennis Association.

U.S. Air Force Band Series

On Friday, October 13, at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt Youth Center, the U. S. Air Force Band will present the first of four concerts to be held in cooperation with the Recreation Department. This program will be free of charge and features the Chamber Music Unit of the band.

GYM NIGHTS SCHEDULE

Women's Gym - Center School - Thursdays, 8:30 - 10 p.m.

Girls' Gym - Center School - Tuesdays - 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Girls' and Women's Gym - St. Hugh's - Wednesdays - 7 - 8:30 p.m. and 8:30 - 10 p.m. respectively.

Teen Gym - Youth Center - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and 1st and 3rd Saturdays 7 - 10 p.m.

Men's Gym - Youth Center - Mondays - 7 - 10 p.m.

Open Gym - Youth Center - Sundays and Wednesdays - 7 - 10 p.m.

Columbus Day Hours

On Monday, October 9, the Youth Center will be open the normal hours for drop in and open gym after school, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. to include roller skating and arts and crafts as regularly scheduled, 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Women and Equal Rights

Maryland voters are invited to Sound Off, an audience panel discussion on women and the equal rights amendment to the Maryland Constitution sponsored by the Adult Services Department of the Greenbelt Library. Ballot question Number 3 will be discussed on Wednesday, October 11, at 7:30 p. m. in the Meeting Room.

Panelists include: Daisy Fields, Women's Equity Action League (WEAL) and Federally Employed Women; Ellen Pattin, National Organization for Women; Greenbelt-er Nan Furioso, former member of the Ad Hoc Committee to Study the Status of Women in Prince Georges County, and currently the Interim Executive Director of the Montgomery County Commission for Women; Barbara Morris and Sue Maxwell, Happiness of Womanhood and League of Housewives.

Questions from the audience will be moderated by Mrs. Phillip Warner, president of the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County.

CITY NOTES

Park superintendent Dennis Dornekamp attended a three-day conference of the Professional Grounds Management Society, held recently in Washington.

The city's special details crew took note of seasonal changes by winterizing the municipal swimming pool and by building portable voting booths used for the October 3rd referendum, at which city residents had a voice in determining whether an indoor pool, which will not have to close down for the winter, will be constructed in Greenbelt.

The Public Works Dept.'s general crew patched street and parking lot pavements and graded the landfill site.

The city crew constructed new asphalt steps with an adjacent railing on the city right-of-way along Lynbrook Ct., in Boxwood subdivision. When the work was completed, they repaired the grass alongside with new sod. New sod was also laid along Lastner Lane, where a drain pipe had been installed.

Five tons of white marble dust, to be used for line markings on athletic fields, were recently delivered.

An average of eight tons of paper in the recycling program has been collected in each of the last two weeks.

One load of discarded appliances was delivered for recycling.

Meeting on Swim Pool Sites

The public is invited to hear the recommendation on the location of the first two permanent public swimming pools in Prince Georges County which will be made at the regular meeting of the Prince Georges County Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission on Thursday, October 12 which starts at 9:30 a.m. The recommendation will be made to the Board by Commissioner John W. Churchill, chairman of a special swimming pool task force which has been charged by the Planning Board to make such a recommendation. The Planning Board will make the decision on the initial sites on this date.

GHI Expenditures Down, 6-Month Report Reveals

A somewhat optimistic picture of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. operations was displayed by the six-month financial report submitted to the GHI board by comptroller Don McGinn. Revenue was some \$8,500 greater than anticipated at budget time and expenditures some \$30,600 less. However, McGinn cautioned that part of the reduction in expenditures was attributed to the delay in getting the trim paint program started. He also noted that water costs will rise in the second half of 1972 as the result of the 42% hike in WSSC rates.

A major item to show improvement is the heating costs. As the result of warmer weather, major repairs to heating plants, and the price freeze which has kept the cost of fuel oil per gallon down, the frame homes showed expenditures of \$194,100 for the six-month period ended June 30, 1972, some \$22,300 less than the budget amount. The savings in the brick homes was more modest — about \$3,700.

Most other items showed small differences from the budget. Real estate taxes ended up some \$1,200 higher than anticipated. Trash collection costs were \$1,500 lower than expected because not as many trips to the dump were made this year because of curtailment of the capital improvement program. A savings of \$1,200 was registered in administration because of personnel turnover. Garage costs turned up because of necessary repair work that was not included in the forecast.

On the receipts side, income was up largely because of the interest account. The improvement in GHI's cash position allowed earlier investment of tax monies and some operating cash. Also received was a county payment of interest of \$2,800 on the real estate tax refund. Finally, GHI invested monies in general were receiving a higher rate of interest return.

Environmental News

by Sue Ready

WAMU-FM (88.5) is presenting a series of lectures entitled Ecology and the Human Environment given by American University professor, Dr. Martha Sager. Aired on Monday and Wednesday nights from 8:30 to 9 with both programs repeated Sunday mornings from 8 to 9, the fourteen week course is currently in its fourth week. College credit, either graduate or undergraduate, may be received for the course by registering with American University before October 30. For further information call WAMU-FM at 686-2690 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. If anyone is interested in catching up on missed lectures, Pat Ready (345-1612) has recorded them on cassettes and is willing to lend them on request.

The recycling center at the University of Maryland (behind Ritchie Coliseum—follow the arrows) accepts metal in addition to paper and glass. Aluminum should be separated from other metals as pure demands a higher price than mixed metals. Trips to the center can be kept at a minimum by cutting both ends from cans and flattening them. Filling a bag or bucket with cans takes several weeks this way. Labels need not be removed from cans, but they make nice additions to one's bundle for Greenbelt's paper collection.

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